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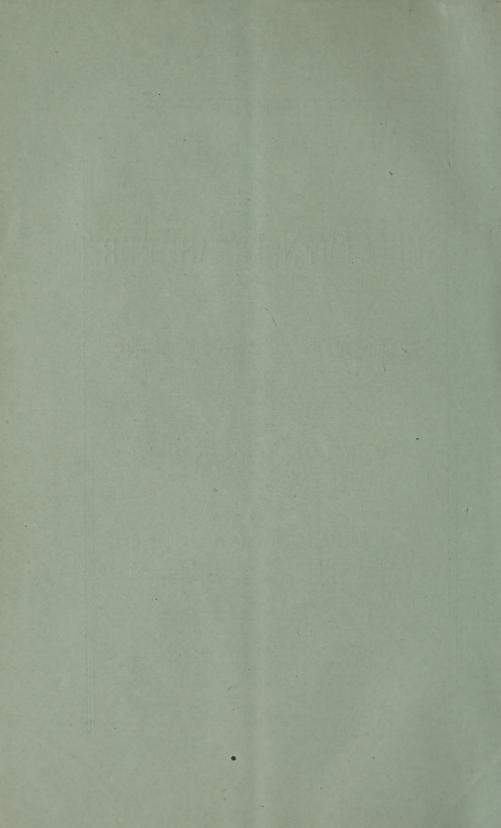
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# REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

FOR THE

### YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1881.

#### HIGHWAYS.

Paid J. H. Foster, labor	r	on	highway,	\$12	60
Ed. W. Sanderson,	"		"	1	50
J. L. McIntire,	46	. "	66	2	05
Isaac A. Hodgman,	44	: 44	"	4	87
Geo. E. Spalding,	66	- 46	"	16	06
David Barnes,	66.		44	4	50
Newton McClure	44	"	44	8	25
H. W. Wilson,	"	44		15	00
Richard Henson,	"	44	"	6	11
Orison Sanderson,	"	44	4.	7	50
Eugene Hartshorn	66	"	44	9	00
Wm. T. Parker,	66	.6	44	16	80
James Hale,	"	"	"	9	00
James Longa,	66	::		12	81
Geo. W. Campbell,	66	66	44	6	00
John Shattuck,	66	46		6	00
E. & E. D. Franklin	46	66		7	45
Wm. H. Kennedy,	66	46	. 44	9	60
Charles Dutton,	"	46	44	3	00

Paid Jos. Blanchard	l, la	bor	on	hig	hway,	\$4	72
Rodney Hodgr		44	44		"	1	50
Horace S. Gou	ld,	44	46		"	3	50
Anson S. Long		66	44		"	11	07
Chas.G. Lawre		66	"		"	9	70
Isaac C. Shedd	,	44	66	11.	16	1	80
Sam'l W. Wrig	ht,	"	44		46	14	62
Herman S. Fie	lds,	.6	"		"	12	00
Thomas J. Fos	ter,	44	66		44	10	10
Reuben Barnes	3,	44	"		"	4	95
George B. Este	ey,	46	46		44	3	00
George W. We	st,	66	26	4	14	1	00
I. A. Hodgman	,	44	46		44	4	74
J. L. McIntire,		44	44		"	3	87
Jos. Kittredge,	,					5	00
Henry F. Herr	ick,	hi	ghv	vay	dis.		
No. 4,			1011	52.00		18	50
Jos. Cross, high	iwa	y di	s. I	Vo.	12,	5	25
Jos. Cross, high						5	42
George Watki	ns,	hig	hw	ays	and		
breaking 1	road	s,				35	40
Hugh McKean,	, pol	es a	nd	pos	st for		
highway,						7	90
Joseph Cross, l	rea	king	gro	oads	3,	13	82
Hermon S. Fie	lds,	66				11	30
Anson S. Long	a,	46		44		21	43
Thomas J. Fost	ter,	46		"		9	48
J. A. Hodgmar	١,	66		"		5	86
Horace S. Gou	ld,	44		44		16	50
Josiah Seaverr	is, si	now	ing	br	idge,		
1879, 1886	),				Profite Pr	2	19
J. L. McIntire,	bre	aki	ng	roa	ds,	9	00
Joseph Kittred	lge,	44		144		20	00
Benjamin T. H	arts	hor	n,	46		12	42
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### BRIDGES.

Paid F. D. Cook & Co., shingles for				
Severens bridge,	\$85	50		
H. F. Herrick, drawing shingles		315		
and nails,	13	55		
Tyler T. Lougee, shingling Sev-			Section 1	
erens bridge,	25	00	W. W.	
F. D. Cook & Co.,	104	44		
Andrew Savage, stone for Willow				
bridge,	10	00		
D. A. Parker & Son, plank for				
Willow bridge,	37	57		
Jos. Cross, labor on Willow bridge,	, 7	50		
J. W. Longa, " " "	6	60		
H. F. Herrick," " "	15	00		
S. C. Anderson, spikes,	1	12		
W. J. Rockwood, stone for Ferry			willian.	
bridge,	4	00		
Orison Sanderson, labor on Wil-				
low bridge,	7	50		
			\$317	78

## GENERAL EXPENSES.

Paid George A. Drew, damage to horse		
and sleigh,	\$30	00
M. V. B. Greene, town reports,	32	67
C. J. Hayward, pipe and zinc for		
town hall,	9	47
G. P. Butterfield, services as su-		
pervisor,	12	00
Warren W. Pillsbury, births and		
deaths,	6	25

Paid William T. Parker, services on				and the
Wheeler's legacy,	\$10	00		
M. V. B. Greene, invoice books,	23	00		
Anson S. Longa, mowing brush				
in old grave-yard,	3	00		
J. E. Mullen, painting and var-				
nishing hearse,	23	00		
M. V. B. Greene, stationery,	5	10		
John L. Spalding, for water, 1879,	3	00		
Daniel O. Danforth, att. at court.	2	50		
Rodney Hodgman, " "	. 2	50		
John L. Spalding, " "	3	70		
William T. Parker, attendance at				
court and consultation with				
Mr. Stevens,	5	20		
Ira G. Wilkins, att. at court,	3	50		
H. W. Wilson, " "	. 4	35		
William T. Parker, services as				
supervisor, in 1880, 1881,	24	50.		
Elanor Merrill, watering trough,	3	00		
A. F. Stevens, town counsel,	15	00		
Joseph Cross, hawks,	6	40		
W. W. Pillsbury, extra expense				
in collecting school report,	2	00		
Henry A. Lawrence, 2 hawks,		40		
Horace S. Gould,	2	00		
F. F. Walker,	2	00		
Heirs of Robert McGaw, abate-				
ment,	2	05		
Henry A. Lawrence, abatement				
dog,	1	00		
all all tailing to	111		\$237	59
to the second se				

### COUNTY POOR.

Paid Warren W. Pillsbury, medical at-			
tendance on Hildreth family	\$15	00	
Warren W. Pillsbury, medical at-			
tendance on J. B. Fields'			
family,	4	00	Walte.
S. C. Anderson, goods for James			
B. Fields,	27	89	
Horace S. Gould, board and care			
of B. Gould,	32	00	
S. C. Anderson, goods for James			
B. Pierce,		00	
Chas. A. Peterson, assistance for			
Thomas Swallow,	2	75	
John Harrison, board and care of			
John Shay,	15	00	
Warren W. Pillsbury, medical at-			
tendance on John Shay,	20	00	
S. C. Anderson, goods for J. B.			
Fields,	6	00	
			\$125 64
TOWN POOR.			
- Loughton Physics			
Paid H. J. Truel, board and clothes at			
county farm,	\$130	00	
·Lucinda Smith, board and care,	120	00	
M. Davis, coffin for Mrs. Smith,	10	00	
W. W. Pillsbury, school books			
furnished,	2	28	
F. P. Jones, for services, with			
hearse, for Mrs. Smith,	3	50	

\$265 78

#### TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Harrison E. Herrick, Collector				
for 1879,	\$60	00		
Matthew P. Nichols, Town Treas.,	40	00		
Benjamin Ela, Town Clerk,	34	50		
Warren W. Pillsbury, Superin-				
tending School Committee,	60	00		
Horace W. Wilson, Selectman and				
use of horse,	100	00		
Joseph Cross, Selectman and use				
of horse,	92	50		
Henry F. Herrick, Selectman and				
use of horse,	75	00		
		1	\$462	00

Most respectfully submitted,

HORACE W. WILSON,
JOSEPH CROSS,
HENRY F. HERRICK,
SELECTMEN OF MERRIMACK.

MERRIMACK, March 1, 1881.

We have examined the above accounts, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

HORACE S. GOULD, FREDERICK F. WALKER,

AUDITORS.

## TREASURER'S REPORT,

Town of Merrimack in Acct. with M. P. Nichols, Treasurer

Cr.

By cash on hand March 1, 1880,	\$250	08
Deposit account in Manchester Sav-		
ings Bank, exclusive of interest	536	84
Cash of H. E. Herrick, on account of		
taxes 1879,	768	60
Cash of H. E. Herrick, on account of		
taxes for 1880,	4,111	22
Cash received of State Treasurer as		
railroad tax,	807	68
State Treasurer as Sav-		
ings Bank tax,	1,441	07
State Treasurer, as Lit-		
erary Fund,	76	59
County, for support of		
Paupers,	333	92
Wm. T. Parker, legacy		
by Edward Wheeler,		
late of Nashua,	611	78
Jos. Cross, for nails and		
shingles sold,	7	75
for damages to highway		• 0
near C. M. Parker's		
furniture shop,	65	00
W. T. Rockwood, use of	00	00
old town-house,	20	00
for bounties on hawks		00
and foxes,	37	80
and rozos,	91	UU

Cash received of city of Manchester, as aid to J. B. Pierce,	\$3	00		
H. E. Herrick, coll. as				
int. on taxes collected	10	07		
for 1879,	18	01	\$9,089	40
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Dr.				
To paid town orders drawn current				
year 1879,	\$57	10		
Paid orders drawn current year 1880,	1,594	46		
School money due Dist. No. 2,				
1879,	6	10		
Agents for the several school dis-				
	1,674			
County Treasurer, for County tax,				
State Treasurer, for State tax,	1,556	00		
School-house tax, Dist. No. 2, for				
1879,	18	00		
School-house tax, Dist. No. 3, for				
1880,	225	00		
School-house tax, Dist. No. 4, for	20	0.0		
1880,	20	00		
School-house tax, Dist. No. 9, for	ดะ	00		
1880, Wm. Goodwin's note with int.	668			
Amos Harris, note with interest,	574			
Balance of deposit account in Savings	014	1.4		
Bank including the Wheeler				
legacy, not including divi-				
	1,174	50		
Cash on hand March 1, 1881,	,	79		
			\$9.089	40

# FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE TOWN MARCH 1, 1881.

#### LIABILITIES.

Note due Mrs. Eliza Wilson, including				
interest,	\$961	75		
Balance school money due Dist. No. 2,				
1879,	9	59		
Balance school money due Dist. No. 3,				
1880,	158	50		
Unpaid orders drawn current year,				
1880,	258	47		
Balance in favor of the town including				
the Wheeler legacy,	1,657	34	•	
			\$3,045	65

#### ASSETS.

Bal. Savings bank account, including	g			
the Wheeler legacy, without	ut			
dividend, March 1, 1881,	\$1,174	50		
Dividend of interest on bank acct.,	174	81		
Due from H. E. Herrick, on tax-list	<u>.</u> ,			
1879,	495	10		
Due from H. E. Herrick on tax-li	$\operatorname{st}$			
1880,	1,188	45		
Cash on hand March 1, 1881,	12	79		
			\$3,045	65

## M. P. NICHOLS,

TOWN TREASURER.

MERRIMACK, March 1, 1881.

We have examined the above report of the Treasurer of the town of Merrimack, and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

HORACE S. GOULD, FREDERICK F. WALKER.

AUDITORS.

MERRIMACK, March 1, 1881.

#### ERRATA.

On page 6, against the name of H. W. Wilson, read stationery instead of attendance at court.

## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

# SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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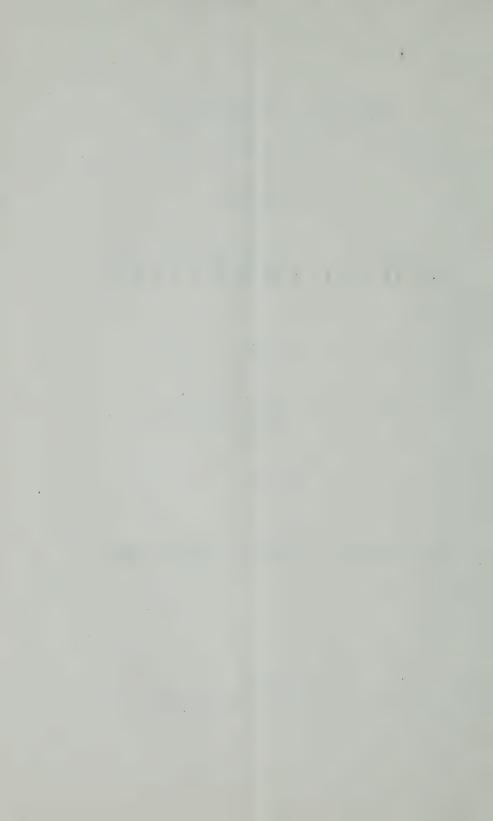
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## DEATHS IN MERRIMACK

FROM

## JANUARY 1, 1880, TO FEBRUARY 28, 1881,

January 15, Cora Louise Hildreth, aged 6 years, 9 months, 17 days. February 10, Mrs Eleanor M. Junkins, aged 49 years, 6 days, February 11, Ralph Waldo Blood, infant. May 3, Mary Ann Plumer, aged 24 years, 11 months, 27 days. August 26, Barnard Gould, aged 82 years, 2 months, 8 days. September 23, Mrs. Hepsibeth Harris, aged 80 years, 5 months.

September 25, Caleb Dodge, aged 87 years, 8 months, 23 days.

October 9, Perley Edward Kelsea, aged 1 month, 21 days. October 23, Mrs. Emma Kilgore, aged 35 years, 8 months.

October 28, Mrs. Sarah Kidder Darrah, aged 77 years, 11 months, 26 dys.

November 11, George B. Estey, aged 31 years, 3 months.

November 29, Levi Fisher, aged 77 years, 7 months, 16 days.

December 28, Mrs. Sophronia Read, aged 73 years, 7 months, 18 days.

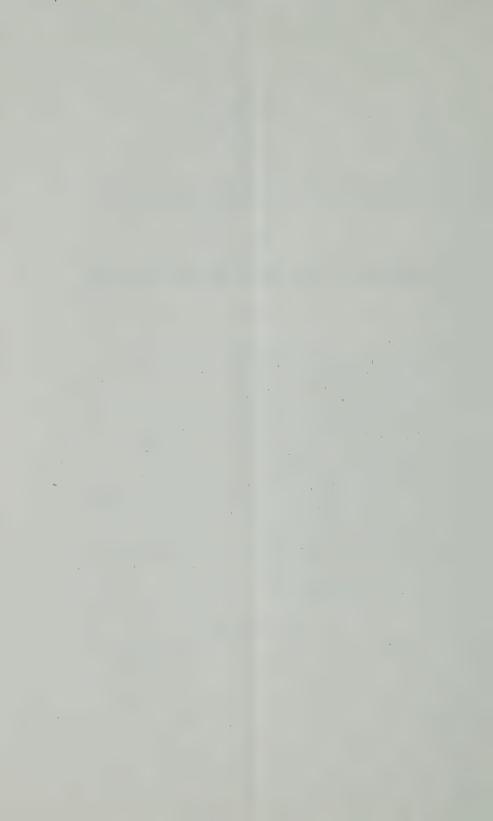
January 15, Mrs. Lucinda Smith, aged 76 years.

David Lund, aged 72.

February 7, Calvin Clement, aged 73 years, 2 months.

#### BIRTHS

Number of births from January 1, 1880, to March 1, 1881, 16.



## REPORT.

The following is the Report of your committee, and is respectfully submitted.

#### DISTRICT NO. I.

Miss Fannie E. Brown has taught during the entire year, and, as far as your committee know, has done her work faithfully and well.

#### DISTRICT NO. IL.

This school has been rather unfortunate in having had sickness among scholars and teacher. The first five weeks of the school was under the charge of Miss Myrta M. Jones, who gave promise of teaching an excellent school. She was succeeded by Miss Jennie U. Elliott, who completed the term.

The Fall and Winter terms were taught by a young teacher, Miss A. Viola Eaton. The school appeared well and made fair progress.

#### DISTRICT NO. III.

This school was fortunate in securing the services of their teacher of last year, Miss Fannie A. Darrah, who has the faculty of making her pupils do much and do it well. During the entire year compositions have been written by most of the scholars and they show marked improvement in every direction.

New school-furniture has been added to the school-room and many improvements made, making it a model school-room.

#### DISTRICT NO. IV.

Miss Lizzie M. McAfee taught the Summer term and proved herself an efficient teacher in every respect.

The Fall and Winter terms were taught by Miss Mary E. Manning. The school made good progress in all studies.

#### DISTRICT NO. V.

Miss Flora E. Hunt, an old teacher in this district although young in years, has taught during the entire year, and her school is an excellent one.

Written examinations of a rigid character were used during the winter term, and the scholars acquitted themselves in a commendatory manner.

#### DISTRICT NO. VI.

Miss Bessie P. Fuller has taught both Summer and Winter terms, and has given general satisfaction so far as your committee knows. The examination in Grammar was unusually good.

#### DISTRICT NO. VII.

This school was under the charge of Miss Mary A. Walker during the entire year.

In some respects the teacher failed to meet the require-

ments of the scholars, but as a rule she did well and some progress was made by the scholars.

#### DISTRICT NO. VIII.

The entire year was taught by Miss Hortensia McMillen. The scholars improved their time well in study and in most respects made marked progress. This school is the banner school of Merrimack in attendance, having the largest percentage, and not a tardy mark during the entire school year of twenty-seven weeks.

#### DISTRICT NO. IX.

Miss Anne A. Marsh taught the entire year.

I wish that what was said of District No. VIII in regard to attendance might be said of this school, but the reverse must be said. For attendance this is the poorest school in town, as it was last year, and no district in town is so well situated for convenience to school-house. Sick ness during the summer term was the principal cause of absence, and is a proper excuse. The teacher worked hard, but felt many times almost discouraged. Those scholars who attended regularly made fair advancement in their studies.

#### DISTRICT NO. X.

Have received no record of this school.

#### DISTRICT NO. XI.

Miss Lucy Bowers has taught the entire year, and during the visits made the school seemed to be hard at work and making good progress.

#### DISTRICT NO. XII.

The Summer term was taught by Miss Mary J. Manahan. Fair improvement was evidently made. The Fall and Winter terms were under the care of Miss Ada M. Clarke. This school is a good one and has done well. Nothing unpleasant has come up during the year that your committee is aware of. The examination was thorough and satisfactory.

The whole number of children between the ages of five and fifteen, on the first day of April, as returned by the Selectmen, was one hundred and fifty-two, numbered in the several School Districts, as follows:

District	No.	1,				9.
6.6	"	2,				15.
66	44	3,				20.
66	4.6	4,				19.
• 4	44	5,				14.
44	4.6	6,				5.
16.5	- 47	7,				21.
66	66	8,				10.
•6	64	9,				19.
••	a	10,				0.
64	**	11,				5.
4.6	4.6	12,				15.
	Г	'otal,		*		152

The amount raised by taxation for school purposes in the town of Merrimack for 1880-81 was \$1,532 57

In District No. 12 \$23.02 extra money was raised.

Districts Nos. 6 and 12 received from Amherst (they being some kind of a union district) the following sums respectively: \$16.93 and \$31.23. No. 10 received about \$30.00 from the town of Bedford, making the total amount of school money expended in this town not far from \$1900 during the past year. This is the largest sum of money expended for any one object during the year and has been disbursed in the most careless manner. As soon as the money is apportioned to the several districts the Selectmen draw and sign a general order for the Town Treasurer to pay the amount due the district to the Prudential Committee of the same. The Treasurer pays the money without any further instructions or demands. The result is that during the past year every or nearly every teacher has received her pay illegally.

The following law is a check on the teacher and should be enforced.

"Every teacher, at the close of his school and at the end of each term thereof, SHALL make a return of such register or record to the school committee of the town, who shall give to him a certificate thereof; and NO TEACHER shall receive payment for his services until such certificate is produced and delivered to the Prudential Committee." General Statutes, Chapter 81, Section 15.

As a consequence of the neglect of this law the school registers are made out in an imperfect manner and left anywhere the teacher may happen to be.

The Franklin series of arithmetic were introduced and adopted during the summer term, and are giving universal satisfaction as far as your committee can learn.

A change of readers should be made as soon as possible, the series now in use being faulty in grammar and the lower books containing many vulgarisms.

There is a great lack of school apparatus throughout the town, such as maps, globes, &c., and at the next annual

town meeting you are asked to raise the sum of \$150.00 to be expended for that purpose.

Again I would urge the citizens of Merrimack to abolish this present pernicious school system and adopt the town system, and have a Board of Education; let us at least have the latter.

Your committee has made sixty-three official visits during the year.

Merrimack, March 1st, 1881.

Respectfully submitted,
WARREN W. PILLSBURY,
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

## ROLL OF HONOR

Including the names of all pupils, who have been present every half-day of a term, without being tardy.

#### DISTRICT NO. I.

Summer term—Alice L. McIntire, Leon L. McIntire. Fall term—Daisy M. Green, Harry M. Green, Andrew J. Read, Alice L. McIntire.

Winter term—Andrew J. Read, Leon L. McIntire.

#### DISTRICT NO. II.

Winter term—Henry A. Fretts.

#### DISTRICT NO. III.

Summer term—Frank D. McQuesten, Robert M. Gordon. Fall term—Frank D. McQuesten, Robert M. Gordon. Winter term—Frank D. McQuesten.

#### DISTRICT NO. IV.

Summer term—Charles A. Goodwin, Blanche S. Griffin. Fall term—Chas. A. Goodwin, Eddie Fisher. Winter term—David Jones, Linnie Read.

#### DISTRICT NO. V.

Summer term—Hattie L. Burgess, Alice G. Burgess, M. Rosie Follansbee, Anna McClure, Fred N. McClure, Bertie Follansbee, Addie M. Lee.

Fall term—Hattie L. Burgess, Alice G. Burgess, H. Maria Lougee, Anna McClure.

Winter term---Fred N. McClure, Herbert S. Davis.

#### DISTRICT NO. VII.

Summer term-Sarah C. Moulton.

Winter term—Maurice C. Beard, Nellie J. Beard, Mildred E. Beard, Mary A. Donavan, Annie L. Moulton, Clara A. Stevens, Dora M. Stevens.

#### DISTRICT NO. VIII.

Summer term—Georgia Hartshorn, Jacob H. Longa, Fred W. Longa.

Winter term—Clara M. Longa, Jacob H. Longa, Annie M. Blood, Percy Blood, George E. Connor, Allie G. Merrill.

#### DISTRICT NO. IX.

Fall term—J. Eddie Bixby, Arthur R. Herrick, H. Amelia Henderson, Lena A. Henderson.

Winter term—J. Eddie Bixby, Alva G. Cheever, David D. Henderson, H. Amelia Henderson.

#### DISTRICT NO. XI.

Summer term—Susie N. Palmer, Carrie E. Palmer, Etta M. Wilson.

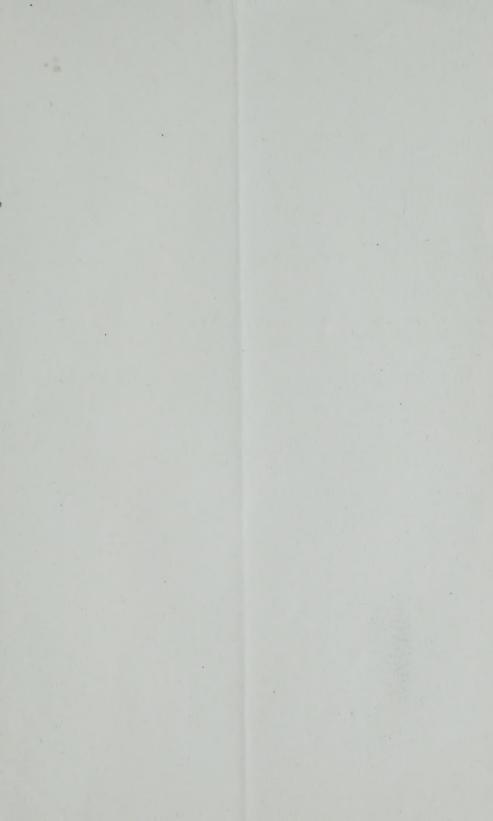
Winter term-Etta M. Wilson.

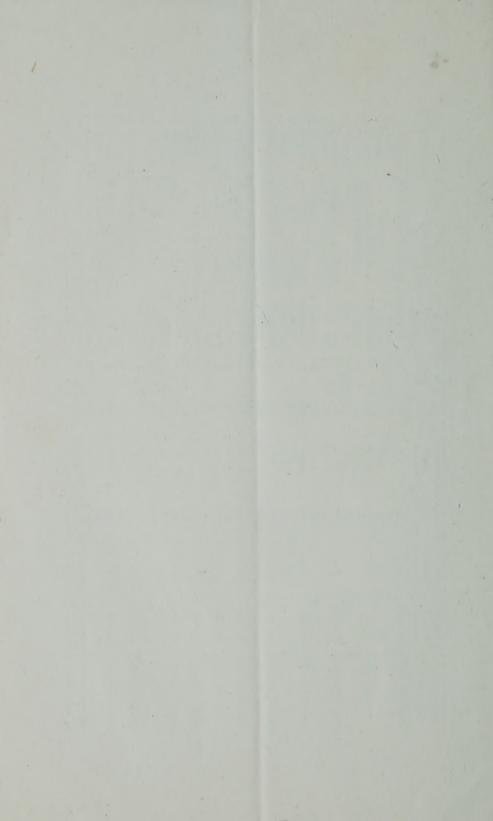
#### DISTRICT NO. XII.

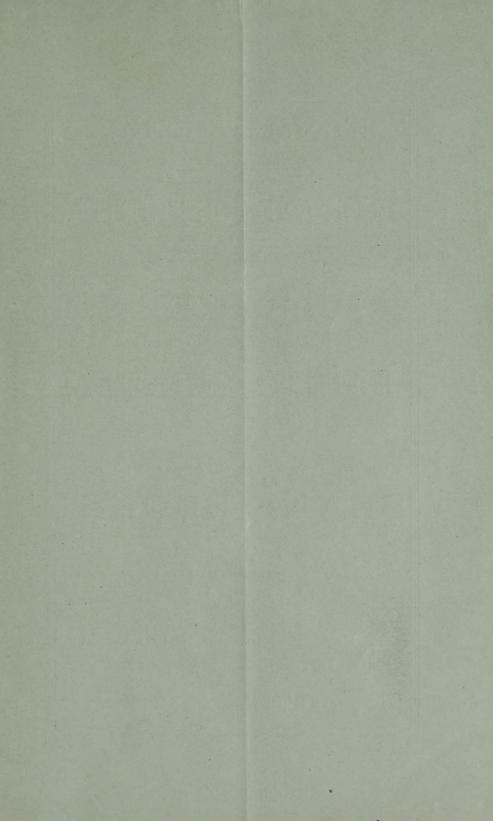
Fall term—Susie Patterson, Flora Hodgman, Viola Harris Eugene Shattuck, Everett Evans, Fred E. Evans.

Winter term—Flora Hodgman, Lizzie Adams, Eugene Shattuck, Fred Campbell, Everett Evans, Fred Evans.

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Weeks in Term. S	No. of Scholars.			Daily Attend. A







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